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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the PTO on September 14, 2006. No fee is due with this response. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter this amendment into the file and reconsider the application.

The *Listing of the Claims* begins on page 2 of this document. With this response, claims 1, 9, 10, 18, 20, and 27 are amended, and claims 3-5, 12-14, 23-26, 33, and 34 are canceled.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this document.